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SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF URBAN LAND REFORM

1. AUGUST 1 PRESS REPORTS PREPARATIONS BY MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING TO IMPLEMENT URBAN LAND REFORM PROCLAMATION. TO ADMINISTER PROCLAMATION, MINISTRY OF PW&H HAS INCREASED MAN POWER TEN-FOLD TO TOTAL OF 2,000. WHICH INCLUDE 300 ENGINEERS AND CITY PLANNING EXPERTS FROM ADDIS ABABA MUNICIPALITY AND 70 FROM MININT.

2. IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND REFORM IN PROVINCIAL TOWNS WILL ALSO BE CARRIED OUT UNDER SUPERVISION OF MINISTRY OF PW&H. THERE WILL BE 14 MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES, ONE ASSIGNED TO EACH PROVINCE.

3. FOR PURPOSES OF ADMINISTERING PROCLAMATION, ADDIS ABABA HAS BEEN DIVIDED INTO FOUR ZONES, TEN WOREDAS, 40 SUB-WOREDAS, AND 300 KEBELES. ONE HOUSING COOPERATIVE CONSISTING OF 500 FAMILIES (150,000 TO 200,000 SQUARE METERS) WILL BE SET UP FOR EACH KEBELE. HOUSING COOPERATIVES WILL BE SET UP BY STUDENT CAMPAIGNERS WHO RECEIVED GUIDANCE AND TRAINING DURING THE RECENTLY CONCLUDED SEMINAR AT THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. FOUR MEN, INCLUDING TWO CAMPAIGNERS. ONE TECHNICIAN AND "ONE MAN IN UNIFORM" (POLICE OR MILITARY) WILL BE ASSIGNED TO EACH KEBELE. TEAMS WILL CARRY NEWLY DESIGNED MINISTRY INSIGNIA (EXAMPLE SHOWN IN PAPER) TO CERTIFY

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THAT THEY ARE AUTHORIZED MINISTRY REPRESENTATIVES.

4. MININT TOLD DCM AND POL COUNSELOR AT RECEPTION AUGUST 4 THAT EPMG HAD REDUCED NUMBER OF STUDENT (ZEMATCHOCH) MEMBERS IN EACH TEAM TO ENHANCE CONTROL OVER THEIR ACTIONS SO THAT "MISTAKES MADE IN EXECUTING RURAL LAND REFORM WOULD BE AVOIDED." MININT STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT TEAMS WOULD NOT "DISTRIBUTE PROPERTY" BUT MERELY "REGISTER IT." MININT AGREED THAT CRASH EFFORT TO SET UP URBAN DWELLERS ASSOCIATIONS IN TIME TO TAKE OVER ADMINISTRATION OF NATIONALIZED URBAN REAL ESTATE WOULD BE DIFFICULT TASK. MININT ALSO SAID THAT CABINET COMMITTEE (OF WHICH HE IS MEMBER) IN CHARGE OR URBAN LAND REFORM HAD DISCUSSED ADDITIONAL DECISIONS ON DIPLOMATIC PREMISES WHICH WOULD BE COMMUNICATED TO DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY SHORTLY.  
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